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For : APPARATUS FOR  
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DISCECTOMY THROUGH A  
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BORE WITHIN THE  
VERTEBRAE OF THE SPINE  
Examiner : Unknown  
Group Art Unit : 3731

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 with five (5) references.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing five (5) references that are also enclosed. It has recently come to our attention that there may have been a missing page in the copy of the Rathke and Schlegel "Surgery of the Spine" reference we previously submitted on April 9, 2003; therefore, we are resubmitting it and have enclosed a complete copy herein. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). If a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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